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1914-18 War

New Zealand Units

Item number: 35/13/2

Title: Field Troop, New Zealand Engineers

June 1915



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Confidential

Gallipoli Peninsula

1st July 1915.

War Diary - Field Troop No. 8 Engineers.

1915
June 1/30

Hot and dry weather was experienced during the period - Rain (heavy) fell on a couple of days and caused considerable inconvenience -

Engineering work was carried out as under -
Trenches. Communication Trenches (about 1 1/2 miles) Water Supply, Roadmaking, Well sinking, Sapping, Tunneling and Mining, Observation posts, Gun Emplacements, Machine Gun position, Wire entanglements, ~~Shelters~~ Bomb proof & Shrapnel proof Shelters. Russell's Top is now in a solid state of defence. The Nos 1 2 & 3 Outpost positions have been entrenched & fortified and especially No 2 & 3 are very strong. There now consolidate our left flank. The mine field in front of our position is making good progress. The enemy's tunnels were blown in. The enemy bombarded heavily on 27th and attack on night of 29-30 - Some 300 being killed. ~~A~~ number of Sappers were engaged assistly in the defence during this attack & gave a good account of themselves.

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3rd Echelon. M. E. P.
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A. M. Chera Capt
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